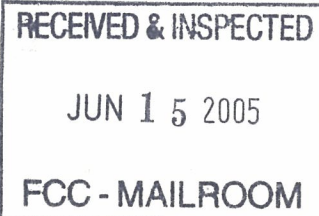
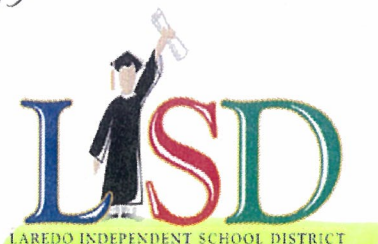


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To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to appeal a decision of the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD).

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SLD Explanation: The dollars requested were reduced to remove the ineligible items: IDSMS, Nwk Anal Mod, Windows Media for CE.

This appeal addresses the IDSM denial.

From the Eligible Services List:

**Description:** A firewall is a hardware and software combination that sits at the boundary between an organization's network and the outside world, and protects the network against unauthorized access or intrusions.

**Eligibility:** A firewall is eligible for discount if it provides basic and reasonable security protections to prevent unauthorized access to the information, software, and systems of an applicant's eligible components.

**Rationale:**

The Cisco IDSM-2 is part of the Cisco Intrusion Prevention System. It works in concert with the other components to efficiently protect data infrastructure. The term intrusion is used to describe attacks from the outside. The IDSM will work to prevent unauthorized access to the information, software, and systems on the district network.

We would like to request that you reconsider the denial for this FRN.

Respectfully Submitted,



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